



A whole bunch of little angels

The Krewe of Kids toasted residents at Dunbar Village as they rolled in the Bay Saturday.

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Hancock High offers a lift

Hancock High School hosts the regional powerlifting championships -- and scores.

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Cleanup project needs volunteers

The annual Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Beautification Committee's county-wide Spring Cleanup will be held Saturday, March 3, 8 a.m. to noon. The cleanup is in preparation for the annual Gulf Coast Spring Pilgrimage. Volunteers from civic organizations, students, families, business and industry are all urged to participate. Supplies for the cleanup will be offered by the chamber. Volunteers are asked to call the chamber at 467-9048 for information.

Bay bridge will close Friday

The Hwy. 90 bridge over the Bay of St. Louis will be closed from 12:01 a.m. to 4 a.m. this Friday morning while construction crews work on the median. Drivers who need to cross at that time should use another route.

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Thousands from Hancock County and all around the region filled the streets Sunday afternoon as the Krewe of Nerelds Mardi Gras parade rolled down Hwy. 90 in Waveland and Bay St. Louis. Parade float winners and more photos are on page 16.



Bay OKs casino zoning proposal

Ordinance 'always' subject to variance

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Almost nine years to the day after annexing hundreds of acres into the city limits, Bay St. Louis leaders have zoned the territory.

The planning and zoning process cost over \$200,000, outlasted the political careers of some council members, and spawned intense debate in some quarters of the city.

In action Tuesday night, City Council unanimously adopted a 15-page ordinance that imposes two new types of zoning categories on the lands that were annexed in February 1991: a Casino District and a Resort District. Those key classifications will accommodate the existing and planned Casino Magic development.

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Locals go to D.C. for sewer \$\$\$

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Banding together for better sewers everywhere!

Southern Regional Wastewater District's Board of Directors Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo, Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, and

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Supers' sand beach plans halted temporarily by 3 federal agencies

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

In a surprise move, Hancock County's supervisors have been asked to temporarily halt their plans to pump in a sand beach from Bayou Caddy to Sand Bayou in Waveland.

Environmental specialist Larry Lewis, representing the consulting firm of Brown and Mitchell, told the Board of Supervisors Tuesday "some serious concerns" have been

raised by three separate federal agencies and by some citizens in the affected area.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers asked for public comment on the plans, and the comment period closed Feb. 12. Lewis said comment was received from eight individuals, but concern was also raised by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Fisheries and

Wildlife and National Marine Fisheries Service.

He said the Corps wants supervisors to respond to questions raised about the loss of essential fish habitat and the potential impacts to sea grasses in the vicinity of the project.

This time it's not the presence of sea grass that is of major concern, Lewis said. A project to replenish a section of

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Beach Boulevard owners must remove obstacles

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

South Beach Boulevard residents with stakes and mailboxes encroaching on the county's right-of-way have been given official notice to remove the obstacles.

Letters signed by Board of Supervisors attorney Gerald Gex went out to 34 property

owners this week on orders of the Board. The majority of the 34 property owners are living in the area, but some live as far away as Alameda, California and Riverside, Ill. There are others living on the beach with home addresses in Chalmette, Metairie, New Orleans,

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Scenes from Saturday's ...

Krewe of Kids Parade



Echo staff photos by
Geoff Belcher



The Carnival carnage continues 'til Tuesday

ECHO STAFF REPORT

Both the Krewe of Nereids and Krewe of Kids burnt up the streets over the weekend.

Tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 23, both Bay Catholic Elementary and Bay-Waveland Head Start kick off their annual parades.

The Head Start parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the corner of Main and Nicaise St. in Bay St. Louis, with Grand Marshal Armand, of Armand's Restaurant fame.

The Bay Catholic kids'

parade will roll, beginning at 1:30 p.m. The parade will start at the end of the school's driveway end at Our Lady of the Gulf's community center.

That Saturday, Feb. 24, the Krewe of Diamondhead Parade kicks off at noon at Diamondhead Drive.

Also on Saturday, the Krewe of Climax Harbor will present its third annual car and truck parade in Clermont Harbor, beginning at 2 p.m. Those with antique cars or trucks who wish

to participate in the parade may call 463-1819. The parade begins and ends on S. Railroad St.

On Sunday, Feb. 25, the St. Paul's Parade begins at 1 p.m. in Pass Christian at St. Paul Ave.

And, as always, the Krewe of Real People wraps up the parade season in Hancock County on Fat Tuesday - Feb. 27 - beginning at 1 p.m.



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LDEQ orders more testing in Little Lake shipping channel

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Another round of testing will be required before Hancock County's Port and Harbor Commission can dredge the Little Lake shipping channel.

Jerry Hemphill, the Commission's operations manager told the Echo this week the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality notified him by letter Jan. 23 more testing is needed before that department will issue a water quality certificate needed for the dredging.

There was some glimmer of hope in the letter, which Hemphill furnished the Echo. Larry Wiesepape, an environmental scientist supervisor with DEQ, wrote: "Although this office believes the original sampling plan to be adequate, out of an abundance of caution, we are requiring that you do additional testing of the proposed dredged material."

Wiesepape said the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Fisheries Service and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have requested the additional testing. Hemphill said the Commission is in the process of selecting an environmental testing firm, and hopes to let a contract at its next meeting. Once underway, he said lab results should be available within 30 days.

For more than 20 months, the Commission's permits to dredge Little Lake has been held up by environmental groups and others concerned about mercury found in the area. However, at the request of LDEQ, the Commission selected two Louisiana environmental testing firms to conduct tests at two sites in Little Lake.

Their findings concluded "the levels of mercury are nominal and comparable to what is found in nature."

Hemphill said, this time, the Commission was asked to extend the testing to three additional sites that will be dredged.

The Commission wants to dredge a one-mile stretch of Little Lake in St. Tammany Parish.

It is a vital waterway into Hancock County's Port Bienville Industrial Park and used by Stennis Space Center to barge in rocket parts and other equipment.

The waterway is silted in, and the Commission wants to dredge the shipping channel to its previous depth of 15 feet. The dredged materials would be used to shoreup marshland in three dead-end bayous, including one area that would restore the upper end of Hog Island, which is badly eroded. Approximately 185,000 cubic yards of materials would be dredged.

The Commission's applica-

tion has been supported by NASA officials and other contractors at Stennis, by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, by U.S. Sen. Trent Lott and most of the tenants at Port Bienville. They argue thousands of jobs held by residents of Louisiana and Mississippi who work at Stennis or at Port Bienville would be jeopardized if the waterway is closed or if navigation is severely limited because the channel is too shallow.

If the LDEQ later gives the Commission the water Quality permit it seeks, it must then obtain a wetlands mitigation permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Vicksburg.

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Council approves signal at intersection

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

The long-standing local push to have a traffic signal installed at Highway 90 and Drinkwater Boulevard apparently has paid off.

Bay St. Louis officials said Tuesday the state Department of Transportation has agreed to install the light, at a cost of some \$184,000.

But promise of the new light didn't come without a behind-the-scenes scramble at the municipal level, and some commitment of cash on the city's part.

"It was hard-fought," said Ward 1 council member Doug Seal, who represents the area at issue. He congratulated the mayor and staff for the final negotiations that cleared the way.

Plans to upgrade Drinkwater and Green Meadow Road have been in the making for several years. The two streets encase a side and the rear of the bustling Hancock Medical Center. Poor drainage and steady development in the area have plagued motorists and workers for the past several years.

Most recently, the opening of a fast-food restaurant at Drinkwater and Highway 90 generated even more traffic at that intersection. Accidents in the area are commonplace, and there have been numerous public cries for action. For years, MDOT has contended that the traffic count there was insufficient to warrant a traffic signal. But that position softened somewhat when city officials agreed to design a key improvement at the other end of Drinkwater/Green Meadow — creating a standard intersection there instead of a small, ill-defined curve leading to Blue Meadow Road.

To accomplish that feat, city officials had to negotiate for right-of-way. Tuesday, Mayor Eddie Favre got City Council's approval for a \$27,000 right-of-way that will clear the way for the new intersection.

MDOT's position has been that the re-worked route from Highway 90 to Blue Meadow will generate more usage of the streets, justifying a traffic signal at the Highway 90 intersection.

In other matters Tuesday, Favre assured council they've taken all the legal steps necessary to float additional general obligation bonds for capital improvements. Almost a year ago, council gave itself the authority to issue up to \$3 million in bonds, in addition to the \$11 million it has borrowed for drainage and other capital upgrades.

Two large projects were cut from the original spending package, as unanticipated events drove costs beyond expectations. Left on the table

Mississippi Highway Patrol back in the CHiPs



The Mississippi Highway Patrol's motorcycle unit went back into business yesterday, with its first detail in Hancock County when Lt. Houston J. Door, left — of Bay St. Louis — and Trooper First Class Stephen Beale began patrolling Hwy. 603. State Department of Public Safety Public Affairs Director Warren Strain said yesterday that the unit was reinstated after five years as part of "the current administration's" efforts to reduce the number of highway accidents and fatalities in Mississippi. The unit will patrol the entire state, particularly high-accident areas. Strain said the motorcycles will be used because they offer a higher level of maneuverability for troopers and because of their "stealth-like" capabilities.

were drainage upgrades for portions of St. John, Easterbrook, Ballentine and Citizen streets.

Council members from the wards where those streets lie have been pushing to proceed with the project, but there isn't enough money in the city budget to cover the costs. Ward 4 council member Tad Black and Ward 3 council member Connie Lampley want council at least to call for bids on the projects, to get a firm idea of how much they will cost. Ward 1 council member Doug Seal is suggesting city officials consider hiring temporary construction workers

to do the work in-house, perhaps saving substantially over the price individual contractors will charge. Favre said he'll have Public Works officials take a look at the in-house idea.

In other financial matters, council was told that the city utility department's cost for buying natural gas skyrocketed this year, although officials declined to raise customer rates in response. Municipal Clerk Robert Parker said at times the gas purchase price to the city was 425 percent higher than normal. Favre said as a result, the city's cost of gas during the

first four months of this fiscal year, \$500,000, have been higher than the entire annual cost during the last fiscal year: \$400,000.

Favre said city officials' gas costs will be going down as demand abates nationally.

Meanwhile, council members noted another disturbing financial trend: revenues from Casino Magic to the city and schools have been off significantly since the beginning of this fiscal year in October, compared with the first four months of fiscal 2000.

The city has gotten about \$45,000 less in gaming service fees so far this year than last year. Sales tax revenues also are down about \$45,000 for this year, compared to last year, city reports show.

Obstacles

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Shreveport, Slidell and others parts of Louisiana.

The official notification to property owners is a culmination of efforts started at least five years ago when Jeep Ladner was elected Supervisor of District 1. He asked Gex to research property records and determine the owners of the beachfront homes. And, the Board hired engineer James Chiniche to prepare a survey showing the location of the county right-of-ways along South Beach Boulevard stretching from Bayou Caddy to St. Charles Street within the Bay St. Louis city limits.

In his letter to property owners, Gex said, "The Hancock County Board of Supervisors has been advised that you have placed obstructions within the county right-of-way on Beach Boulevard."

He cited a 1927 resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors which established a 60-foot right-of-way on the north side of Beach Boulevard, and said subsequent Boards of Supervisors had not modified

that resolution establishing the easement.

"Therefore, I have been requested by the Board of Supervisors to write you and request that you remove the obstruction from the county right-of-way," Gex wrote.

"If I have not heard from you within 15 days from the date of receipt of this letter, I will ask the Board to authorize proceedings to have these obstructions removed. If you cannot remove the obstructions within the time allotted, please contact me."

Gex said it was the Board's duty "to protect the public access to public property."

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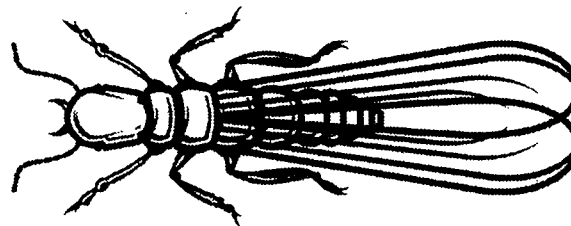
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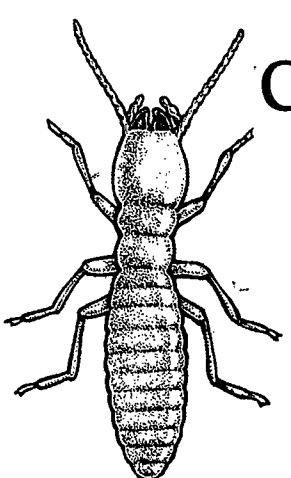
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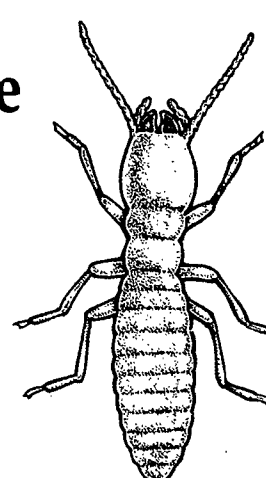
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

The weather could not have been better this past Sunday for the annual Krewe of Nereids parade.

The sun was out in full force as the crowd of thousands came to view the 35th parade as it traveled Highway 90.

Now is the time of year when the Krewe of Nereids begins to work on the task of preparing for Mardi Gras 2002.

A parade like Nereids' does not just happen overnight, there is a lot of hard work and planning beforehand.

Once again, thanks to the Krewe of Nereids for bringing us a great parade in 2001.

For sure, Mardi Gras is not over with for our area. We still have several parades yet to go.

Friday will mark two parades for the very young in Bay St. Louis.

The annual Bay-Waveland Head Start parade is set for 9:30 a.m. at the corner of Main and Necaise streets. The youngsters have a real treat this year with Grand Marshal Arnaud of Arnaud's Restaurant.

The annual Bay Catholic kids' parade is set for 1:30 p.m. Friday. The Bay Catholic parade for the young students begins on Union by the school and travels Second Street to Court Street, Court to Beach Boulevard, Beach to the Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center's driveway.

The kids from both the Head Start and Bay Catholic throw a lot of beads and trinkets each year, and the youngsters have a great time.

Saturday marks the annual Krewe of Diamondhead parade, which begins at noon at the Community Center. The wide shoulders and median of Diamondhead Drive and Golf Club Drive make it a great family place to view the parade.

The parade begins at the Community Center and ends at the Country Club.

Also on Saturday, the Krewe of Climax Harbor parade is set for 2 p.m. in Clermont Harbor. The parade includes antique cars and trucks in addition to floats, and a good time is had by that community, too.

Sunday marks the annual St. Paul's parade in Pass Christian. The St. Paul parade usually has over 100 floats, many entered by businesses, organizations and families.

St. Paul's parade is set to begin rolling at 1 p.m. at Davis Avenue to Scenic Drive on to Highway 90, Highway 90 to Henderson, Henderson to Second Street, Second to disband at St. Paul Ave.

Fat Tuesday will mark the annual parade of the Krewe of Real People which is set for 1 p.m.

We will be telling you more at the Krewe of Real People on Sunday.

Do not forget the Mardi Gras parades yet to come, and I hope each and every one of you will have a great time.

On Saturday, February 24, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Ladner will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

The family is holding a celebration at the Catahoula Baptist Church on Highway 43 on Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. and are inviting family and friends to attend.

I have known the Woodrows for many years and want to wish them a very happy 50th anniversary.

Of interest to fishermen and boaters who use the Jourdan River is the fact that the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources has established a **No Wake Zone** within 500 feet of the Interstate Highway bridge.

A No Wake Zone is defined as an area of navigable marine water in which vessels are not allowed to create a potentially damaging wake or to operate a vessel above idle speed.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce--finance reform

Last fall's state Supreme Court elections when the U.S. Chamber of Commerce pumped \$1 million of "soft money" for TV ads into Mississippi trying to elect four judges is a prime case for Congress to enact campaign finance reform.

In its sortie into Mississippi's elections, the USCC, the world's biggest business organization, had trampled on Mississippi's own campaign finance law, refusing to disclose to Secretary of State Eric Clark from whom and how much, campaign money it was spending down here.

Rather than comply with Mississippi's disclosure law, the powerful Washington-based organization quickly went to federal court in Mississippi to get Clark off its back. It claimed its ads were merely "issues," not candidate advocacy, and as free speech were immune from state regulation.

U.S. District Judge Henry T. Wingate thought differently. Last Nov. 2 he sharply denied the USCC contention, ruling that its ads were "thinly veiled exhortations" to vote for certain candidates, and that the Chamber must comply with Mississippi's campaign finance disclosure law.

When a Gulf Coast state circuit judge two days later, on the basis of the Wingate ruling, enjoined the Chamber from run-

ning its ads for Keith Sterrett in Mississippi's southern Supreme Court district, the USCC flexed its Washington muscle.

It bypassed the state court system and went straight to U.S. Justice Court Justice Antonin Scalia and got him to block the state court order.

So much for the pro-states' rights reputation of the Republican-dominated U.S. Supreme Court.

Meantime, the Chamber began pouring even more money into Sterrett ads trying to defeat incumbent Supreme Court Justice Oliver Diaz, a moderate former Republican state legislator.

And the tone of the Sterrett ads grew meaner, as the so-called "issue" ads became non-stop attack ads against Diaz, proving how unrestricted soft money can be converted into hard campaign money. Diaz did manage to eke out a win in a runoff.

The Chamber's battery of lawyers has since asked the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to throw out the Wingate decision and Mississippi's attempt to make the business giant abide by the state's campaign finance disclosure law.

Atty. Gen. Mike Moore and

Secretary of State Clark haven't caved in, and are preparing to defend the state law against the biggest business lobby in the country.

What's more, they may be joined by some other states which also have campaign finance laws, and even Common Cause, the national citizens lobby, and longtime advocate of campaign finance reform in Congress.

The case of the United States Chamber of Commerce versus the State of Mississippi could very well become a landmark

national issue, coming at a time when maverick Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona will finally succeed in getting the McCain-Feingold Campaign Finance reform bill banning soft money to a Senate vote in March.

More significant, from a Mississippi standpoint, is that when the state's senior Republican senator, Thad Cochran recently came on board with McCain behind campaign finance reform, he broke with his Mississippi colleague, Trent Lott, the Majority leader who has killed the bill the past two years.

Of further Mississippi interest is a report that Sterrett, now a state circuit judge from Pike county, the otherwise poster child of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's big-bucks soft money incursion into Mississippi judicial elections, is being considered for an upcoming vacancy on the Southern federal court district.

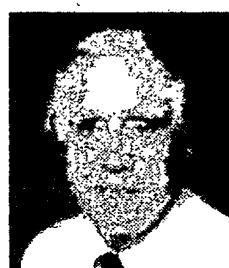
While Senator Lott is expected to have first say-so on who will get the Southern federal circuit court judgeship, Cochran would have to sign off on it.

Secretary of State Clark, while not able to get any official figures from the USCC on how much it spent in its TV ad barrage in Mississippi's supreme court elections, did his own homework and got the figures from the various television stations where Chamber spots ran.

He came up with a total of \$958,000. Besides the TV time the Chamber bought, it spent additional money on printed material and mail-outs, the cost of which is unknown.

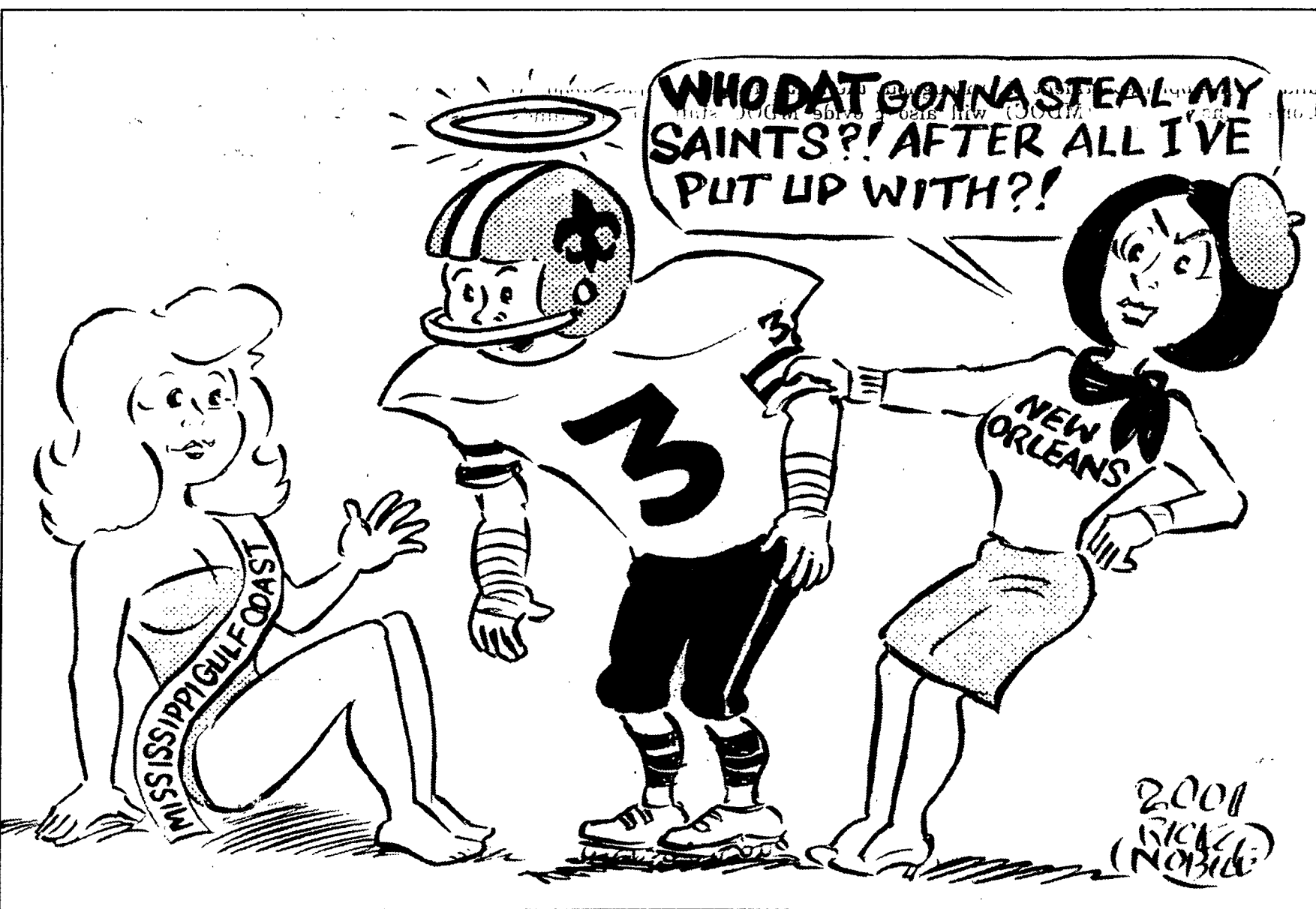
What other ventures into Mississippi's election process does the U.S. Chamber have on its agenda?

If they can skate past the state's law to curb the use of money in our elections it will be an invitation for them to become an 800 pound gorilla in Mississippi politics.



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor



TECHNICALITIES

By State Auditor
Phil Bryant
COUNTIES

Q May a county use insurance rebate monies to contract for fire protection service?

A A county may use insurance rebate monies to contract for fire protection service with, among others, municipalities, legal fire protection districts, and nonprofit corporations. [§ 83-1-39(3)(d)]

Q May a sheriff place bail bonding companies or bondsmen authorized to write bonds on a rotating system by listing each bonding company so that they bond in the order that they are on the list?

A No, there is no authority to place bonding companies on a rotation system. Each prisoner has a right to hire the bondsman of his choice so long as the bondsman is licensed by the

Department of Insurance and is in good standing.

Sections 83-39-27 and 83-39-29 prohibit jail employees from soliciting bond business on behalf of a bondsman and provide penalties for such actions.

(Attorney General's opinion to Tolar dated November 20, 2000)

Q May a board of supervisors grant a raise to a county employee merely by approving the payroll on the claims docket without voting specifically to increase the employee's salary?

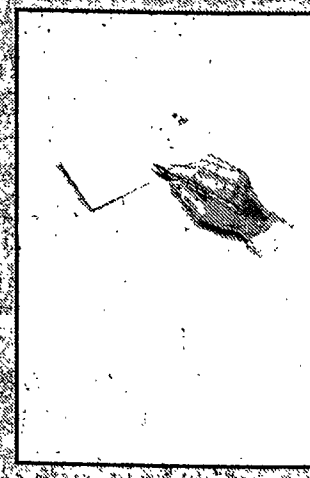
A No, a board of supervisors may only take official action as a board by order spread upon the minutes, and a board may only contract with employees of the county by order spread upon the minutes.

A board of supervisors may only grant a raise to a county employee by order or entry on

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the claims docket spread upon the minutes. However, a board may grant a percentage raise to all county employees by order spread upon the minutes. (Attorney General's opinion to Hitt dated November 17, 2000)

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Beach -- project shelved for now

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beach opposite Buccaneer Park was halted in 1994 when a rare sea grass, Widgeon Grass, was thought to be growing there, but later independent studies disproved the claims but by then, the contractor had left, and the project as abandoned.

However, Lewis said, the agencies want a new survey done in the area during mid-April and May to see whether the grass is prevalent in the area.

Lewis said the Corps wants a study that will determine the potential impact to shallow water areas sometimes used by fish and shellfish.

"We're covering an area that has not been historically covered with sand before," said Lewis. "We're creating new beach where there is none."

He said the agencies are worried about the fish, and shellfish and other habitat that now breeds or feeds in the shallow waters where the sand would be pumped in.

The new delay particularly irked District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour. "It seems like Harrison County gets anything it wants," said Seymour. He referred to the Beau Rivage being allowed to fill in 26 acres of wetland for its casino. "We're like a step-child," Seymour said. "Maybe we aren't lobbying the same people they are lobbying."

Seymour pointed out when the Board proposed improvements to the Washington Street pier, it had to address concerns brought up "by somebody in Jackson County," before the project was allowed to proceed.

Lewis suggested supervisors bring together representatives of all of the agencies involved to look over the area where the beach is planned and to come up with a response to the Corps of Engineers. That meeting is tentatively scheduled for mid-March, depending on the availability of the various officials.

Supervisors "want to hydraulically dredge 250,000 cubic yards of sand from an offshore burrow area to create 1.06 miles of new sand beach from Bayou Caddy to Lakeshore, then from Lakeshore Road to Sand Bayou. The average width of the sand beach would be 200 feet. In addition, plans call for construction of two rock jetties each 200 feet in length on either side of the proposed beach. The project will result in the filling in of approximately 26.02 acres of water bottoms.

Supervisors have applied to the Mississippi Development Authority for \$2.1 million in funds for the beach renourishment project. It was hoped the beach project could "piggyback" on equipment and a work crew already mobilized and renour-

ishing the beach in Harrison County, but that possibility now seems remote.

Lewis said tests which might have to be conducted to satisfy the Corps of Engineers concerns probably could not begin until April or May, thus, losing the chance to use the team already in place.

Of eight letters received from individuals, two letters supported the project, three letters were opposed, two requested a public hearing to address the issue of roadway protection in the Clermont Harbor area and one letter simply requested a public hearing to address the issue of hurricane risks for the area. Over 200 letters were sent out to individuals in the affected area soliciting comments on the proposed project.

The EPA Region 4 Atlanta District told the Corps: "EPA is very concerned about the adverse impacts to important aquatic resources of the Mississippi Sound associated with the proposed project. The proposed beach creation would impact, over 100 acres of the Mississippi Sound's natural shallow water habitat by filling over 30 acres and dredging an additional 70 or more acres to a depth of 16 feet below mean sea level. Soft mud bottoms and shallow subtidal areas represent some of the Mississippi Sound's most productive

ecosystems..."

The Fish and Wildlife Service, a division of the U.S. Department of Interior wrote: "The proposed project is located in an area identified as Essential Fish Habitat for post-larval and juvenile red drum, pink, white and brown shrimp and juvenile gray snapper and Spanish mackerel. The Service believes that the filling of 32 acres of estuarine bottoms and water column will directly eliminate the area as an aquatic habitat." The National Marine Fisheries Service, a division of the Department of Commerce, agreed with the Fish and Wildlife Services concerns that there would be loss of aquatic habitat.

"The natural sand and mud bottoms of the Mississippi Sound support an infauna population that contributes directly to the complex estuarine food web and provide essential forage, cover, spawning and nursery areas for a variety of commercially and recreationally important finfish and shellfish," its letter to the corps said.

The Department also noted submerged aquatic vegetation, such as the Widgeon grass, often waxes and wanes during the winter. It recommended a more accurate assessment of the submerged aquatic vegetation should be performed between June and September.

Zoning -- Bay approves ordinance

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The rest of the Cedar Point area annexed along with it was zoned for single family residential development.

While every conceivable effort was made to lock in the details as demanded by a citizens' watchdog group, council was reminded at the last minute -- almost ironically -- that the new ordinance is subject to variances, "always."

The ordinance goes into effect in 30 days. Council's moratorium on construction in the area, imposed at the height of the impasse over the zoning issues, will expire simultaneously.

At issue are the lands formerly known as Bay Cove Marina, now known as Casino Magic. The cove accommodates Magic's floating gambling barge and entertainment center, as well as marina slips. Adjacent lands have been developed into a RV park and golf course with a clubhouse, with a 200-unit inn and child day care center. Just off the drawing boards are final plans for a 14-story hotel, a conference center and revamped dining area.

Later, the new zoning will also accommodate a second 14-story hotel, another RV Park, new condominiums, more marina slips, and parking garage and tennis courts.

It wasn't so much that cas-

ino's development that generated controversy as it was the possibility that adjoining lands annexed at the same time would be transformed into further casino development, or that the new ordinance would open the door to casinos elsewhere along the city's waterfront.

The Bay St. Louis Community Association formed to track the zoning process, and watched every twist and turn with intense scrutiny. Last year, the association filed a legal challenge in the process. That challenge is still pending.

Before resigning office to become executive director of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Ward 1 council member Carleen Moran led a three-member majority of council in adopting an overall master plan for the city's future -- a document mandated by state law prior to the new zoning ordinance. Tuesday, it was Ward 4 council member Tad Black who made the final motion for adopting the zoning ordinance. Black has argued intensely for changing various proposed zoning layouts in such a fashion that would address the citizens' concerns and meet the Magic's needs as well.

There were several last-minute changes along those lines Tuesday night before final adoption, even as Black's

motion hung in the air awaiting a vote. Ward 2 council member James Thrifflay asked city attorney John Scaife to comment on the ordinance's merits and practicality.

Scaife said the document is "legally sound," and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. "I prepared it," Scaife noted, saying he's "comfortable" with it as a legal document. "I think it's a good thing to zone the annexed territory," he said. "It's valid."

But when Thrifflay asked if the new ordinance would preclude another casino development elsewhere in the city, Scaife responded: "You can grant variances, always." The new law, he said, is "about as strong as you can make it."

Key elements in the document include a provision that extends upland zoning in residential districts out into the adjacent waters to the corporate limits.

To have a casino afloat in a Casino District, a developer would have to have a 14-acre marina, located within 300 feet of a marina bulkhead. The new zoning map grants Magic a casino district encompassing the existing development and land within a 300-foot rectangle around it. Officials said that would accommodate any shoreline changes that might occur in a hurricane or other natural

disaster.

A resort district, meeting the minimum acreage requirement of 50 acres, was created around the Casino District to accommodate uses associated with the casino.

The rest of the annexed territory was designated for single family residential development, including a tract that other potential casino developers owned in the area known as Serpentine Lake. Much controversy centered over the validity of the city's original pledge to allow a casino in that area.

With the ink still wet on the new zoning ordinance, council members now may take action to amend the city's Comprehensive Plan, to make its map and description of the area identical to the final zoning ordinance. The Community Association has said that to do otherwise would leave the city legally vulnerable.

Council members agreed to check with the zoning expert who helped craft the final plan before moving to amend it, however.

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Attorney Gerald Gex, along with Southern Regional Consultant Gary Beard, engineer Duke Levy, Board of Supervisor's secretary Jenell Tompkins, and a representative from the Gulf of Mexico Program, traveled to Washington D.C. last week in an effort to increase funding possibilities for the county's new wastewater project proposal. A county-wide, united wastewater project plan was presented to the Board of Supervisors by the GMP two weeks ago.

The project when completed could cost the county about \$19 million and would include transmission lines from the Pearlinton and Kiln areas, communities that have both requested service from Southern Regional. Because of the addition of new customers to help spread the cost of the project, planners say that monthly service fees should not increase.

The fundraising team will be asking for 100 percent grant funds from "any and all agencies," said Beard, with one possibility being the Gulf of Mexico Program. Beard also said that the Environmental Protection Agency has a 55/45 grant program, with the EPA providing

55 percent of the funding. The county could possibly provide its 45 percent match with SRF funding, Beard said. The team had scheduled meetings with several members of Congress.

In other business: The board voted to accept Kiln Water and Fire Protection District's request for wastewater service pending availability of funding; to push back the proposed date for service to begin to

Pearlington, because of the loss of an expected CDBG grant to that community to fund their collection system; to actively seek the services of Consultant Stu Craib. Craib, a New Zealand resident, did a three month stint at Southern Regional last summer to help bring the plant back up to standard. The board voted to offer Craib full time employment at the Waveland plant.

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SPORTS

Hawks place second in powerlifting; Ladner sets state record in bench press

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
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The regional 4A powerlifting meet was held in Kiln at Hancock High School on Saturday, February 17. If you have ever witnessed a powerlifting, you could say that it was an uplifting experience. For the most part, it is a competition of separate weight divisions to see who can lift the most total weight between the squat, bench press, and dead lift.

Each competitor received seven lifts that they could spread out among the three lifts. However, the key is to get a clean lift recorded in each category to be able to move on to the next lift. The finishes in each individual weight class are totaled similar to a track meet going down five places. Seven points are awarded to the champion in each weight class with five points going to second, three to third, two to fourth, and one point to fifth place.

The team champion is based on the team with the highest number of points. At Saturday's meet, there was a total of eight teams. The schools represented

were Hancock, Petal, Pearl River Central, St. Martin, Stone County, Oak Grove, d'Iberville, and East Central. The top three lifters in each weight class move on to South State competition to be held at Quitman High School on March 10.

St. Martin won the meet with 43 total points. Hancock placed second with 33 points followed by d'Iberville with 21 points and Petal with 16 points. Stone, Pearl River Central, and East Central each scored 14 points.

Hancock had six lifters move on to compete for the South State title. Andy Ladner, Jed Duke, Billy Wiley, Mike Mills, Jake Wilson, and Josh Ladner.

Andy Ladner placed second overall in the 114-pound division with a total weight of 390 pounds. He squatted 125 pounds, benched 80 pounds, and deadlifted 185 pounds. Jed Duke was the regional champion in the 132-pound division. He lifted a total weight of 790 pounds. Duke squatted 260 pounds, benched 150 pounds, and deadlifted 380 pounds. Duke is a defending state champion from Baldwin High School

where he transferred from during the summer.

Wiley placed second overall in the 165-pound division with a total weight of 900 pounds lifted. He squatted 315 pounds, benched 225 pounds, and deadlifted 360 pounds. Mills also placed second in his weight class. Mills competed in the 181-pound division. He had a total weight of 895 pounds. He squatted 300 pounds, benched 225 pounds, and deadlifted 370 pounds.

Jake Wilson won the 220-pound weight class with a total lift of 1,080 pounds. He squatted 380 pounds, benched 270 pounds, and deadlifted 430 pounds. Josh Ladner won the 275-pound division with a total weight of 1,355 pounds. His weight total was the highest total in the meet.

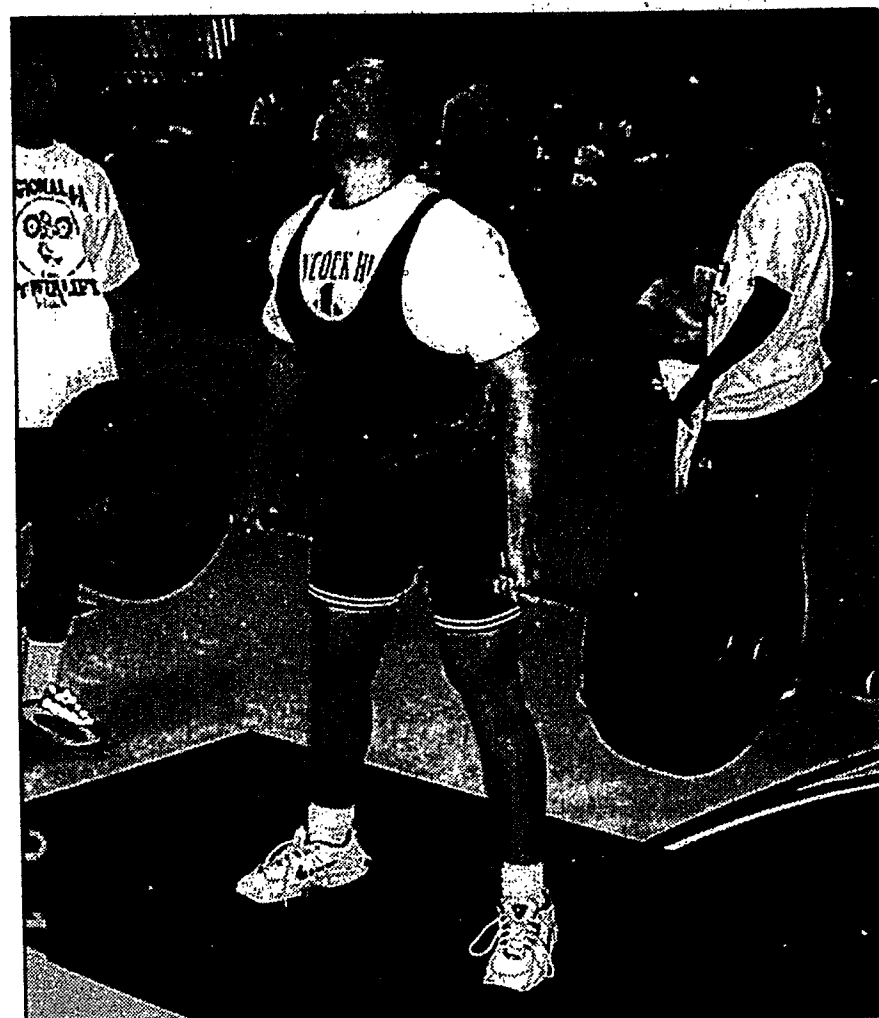
Ladner set a new state record in the Class 4A bench with a weight of 360 pounds. He squatted 480 pounds and deadlifted 515 pounds. Ladner placed third overall in the state competition last year.

Chris McNeil of Petal won the super heavyweight division

for body weight over 275 pounds. He lifted a total weight of 1,240 pounds. He benched 335 pounds, squatted 450 pounds, and deadlifted 455 pounds. McNeil, a 6-5 289lb offensive lineman, signed a National Letter of Intent to play football with Mississippi State University earlier in February. McNeil was a high school All-American at Petal High School following the completion of the 2000 football season.

Donny Moran of Hancock competed in the 275-pound division lifting a total weight of 1,205 pounds but did not qualify to move on. Matt Crittenden, Allen Pace, and Chase Sackett all competed in their respective weight classes for Hancock but were not able to move on to South State competition.

Hancock head powerlifting coach Walt Esslinger stated, "I would like to thank all of our spotters, statisticians, and helpers for making this meet a huge success. I am very thrilled with our lifters today. They competed with intensity and we are looking forward to the South State meet coming up."



A Hancock High powerlifting team member competes in the regional 4A meet in Kiln last Saturday.



BASEBALL. update

Pearl River splits with Bishop

Pearl River Community College's Wildcats picked up their second victory of the 2001 baseball season here Saturday, winning the first game of a doubleheader with Bishop State 9-8. PRCC fell 6-5 in the nightcap and dropped to 2-6 overall.

Six of the Wildcats combined 18 hits in the two games were home runs. Ryan Landry of Thibodeaux, La., belted two homers in the loss, while Eric Adkins of Purvis homered in both games.

In the first game, Kirk Giger of Petal cracked an RBI double in the bottom of the second to break a 1-1 deadlock and put PRCC up 2-1, but Bishop bounced back in the top of the third with a pair of runs to regain the lead.

In the bottom of the frame, Adkins and Justin Byrd of Lumberton homered to put the Wildcats back on top 4-3. In the fourth, two Bishop State singles and a Wildcat error tied it up, then Joel Jernigan blasted a two-RBI double to put the visitors up 7-4.

That score remained intact until the bottom of the sixth when Adkins ripped a bases-loaded double to tie it at 7-7, but Ben Morgan's RBI single in the top of the final inning put BSCC back on top in the top of the final frame. In the bottom of the seventh, Steven Knight of St. Stanislaus deadlocked the score at 8-8 with his first home run of the season, then two singles and two walks pushed in the game-winning run.

PRCC finished with nine hits,

led by Adkins' homer and two doubles, while Knight and Byrd both homered and singled.

Reliever Sean Prebble (1-0) was the winning pitcher, while Ty Patterson started and Rob Orcutt and Wes Carroll both relieved.

In the nightcap, Bishop State went up 1-0 in the top of the first off a walk, two singles, and an error, but Landry belted a two-run homer in the bottom of the stanza to put PRCC on top 2-1. BSCC tied it up in the top of the fifth, then took a 3-2 lead when Wildcat reliever Jonathan Mitcham of North Forrest entered the game with the bases loaded and walked in a run. A fielder's choice made it 4-3 Bishop.

Adkins got his second homer of the afternoon in the bottom of the fifth to tie it at 4-4, but BSCC came back in the top of the seventh to go up 6-4 off Ronald Hayward's RBI double and Prebble's RBI single. In Pearl River's last gasp, Landry belted his second homer of the day to lead off the bottom of the frame and pull PRCC within one. The Wildcats loaded the bases, but couldn't push the tying run home.

Landry and Adkins also singled to complement their home run efforts, while Byrd managed two singles. Knight and Brent Robertson of Purvis both had singles. PRCC finished with nine hits.

O'Flynn (0-1) got the loss in relief of Mark Broom, who pitched the sixth. Starter Chris Thompson pitched the first four

Area schools take to the diamond this weekend

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
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Now that the bounce of a ball on the hardwood begins to fade, the crack of a bat can be heard on diamonds all along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The sound wasn't any different on Saturday, February 17, as the area schools got their seasons off with the crack of a bat.

The Hancock Hawks split two games over the weekend in the Pass Christian Building Fund tournament. Hancock dropped their game with Pass Christian 5-3 after recording a 10-4 win over the Bay High Tigers. While the Tigers dropped their game against Hancock, they surged back in their second game to blank Pass Christian 7-0. St. Stanislaus also split a pair of games on Saturday. The Rocks defeated St. John 4-3 in the first game but dropped a squeaker to Mercy Cross in 11 innings 8-4.

In the Hawks first game, Erron Anderson and Gary Catalano each smashed a home run and Anderson tallied three RBIs against Bay High. Catalano recorded two RBIs and Zack Zulli two hits against the Tigers. Tyler Hall got the win on the mound for the Hawks.

Dan Henderson cracked a fifth inning two-run homer to lead the Pirates against the

Hawks later in the afternoon. Patrick Necaise, Lane Jenkins, and Kevin Witt also hit home runs in the game for the Pirates.

Adam Barrett led the Tigers on the mound against the Pirates striking out five batters for the Bay High Tigers. Guy Allemen tallied four RBIs and a homerun in the shutout against the Pirates.

SSC got an all-around performance from Stephen Kulikowski in their game against the St. John Eagles. Kulikowski was the winning pitcher and recorded two hits and two RBIs to help his own cause.

In their extra innings loss to Mercy Cross, Neil Favre tallied three hits for SSC while Joaquin Balaguer added two hits for SSC.

All area teams return to action this weekend in the Hancock High Tournament played in Kiln on February 23-24.

frames, then was relieved by Mitcham in the fifth.

Pearl River takes on Mississippi Delta in Moorhead Saturday in a 2 p.m. non-division doubleheader.

Lady Wildcats advance in basketball tourney

In the MACJC South Division Basketball Tournament, the fourth-seeded PRCC Lady Wildcats defeated host Southwest 70-62, ending their losing skid and marking the third time the PRCC women defeated the Lady Bears this season. The first-round victory was the first time the Lady Wildcats tasted victory since their 66-62 decision over Southwest on Jan. 29.

With the win, the Lady Wildcats improved to 13-12 overall, while the Lady Bears ended its season at 13-12.

Things were tight in the first half. The score was deadlocked seven times and host Southwest managed six short-lived leads before PRCC went up for good. The Lady Bears managed its

last lead 25-24 when Nicole Tanner sank a foul shot with 2:38 left before intermission. Tanner also sank a buzzer-beating bucket to cut PRCC's lead to 31-29 at the half.

Pearl River scored six unanswered points to open the second half, but Southwest went on a 7-0 run to pull within one 37-36 when Tabitha Crossley hit a three pointer with 15:15 left.

The Lady Wildcats retaliated with a 10-1 run, capped by a bucket by Lori DeSilvey of Hancock County to put PRCC back up by nine 47-38 with 11:50 remaining.

Over the next two minutes, SWCC Southwest scored eight unanswered points to again cut PRCC's lead to one, but the Lady Wildcats finished off the

Lady Bears with a 23-16 run to take the eight-point victory. Dee Flenory of North Forrest sank a foul shot with 30 seconds left to give PRCC a 10-point lead its largest of the night.

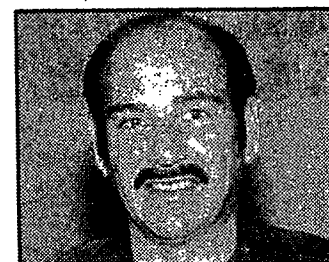
DeSilvey paced Pearl River with 16 points, hitting 63 percent (five of eight) from the field and hauling in eight rebounds. The sophomore guard was six-for-six at the foul line. Flenory added 14 points (10-of-15 free throws, six boards), Jessica Pucheu of Hancock 11 (six assists), Mindy Ladner of Hancock eight (nine rebounds), Michelle Small of New Orleans 5 (one trey), Millie Graves of Bassfield four (team-high 10 boards), Brandi Ladner of Hancock four (four-of-four free throws), and LaShunda McGee of North Forrest two.

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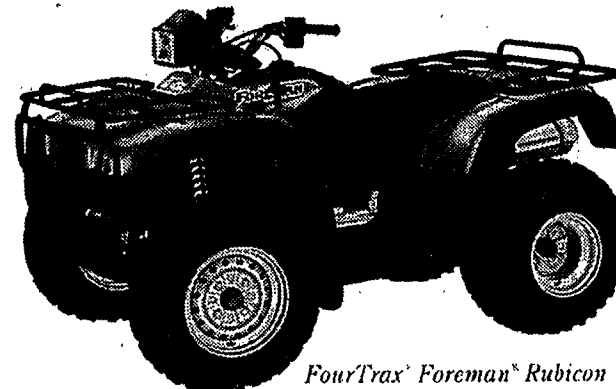
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Mardi Gras

Keno Lagniappe
Feb. 1-28, receive custom Mardi Gras beads when you play a multi-race ticket for 10 games or more or any FastKeno ticket. Maximum 2 sets of beads per account while supplies last.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE:
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Royal Wednesdays Video Poker Tournament

To enter, guests must accumulate 23 points within seven days prior to tournament date. Tournament to Register at VIP Guest Services. Space is limited. Each session consists of nine minutes of free credit play. In the event of a tie, a playoff round will determine the winner.

Prize Breakdown: 1st: \$500, 2nd: \$250; 3rd: \$125; 4th: \$75 and 5th: \$50 (Total, \$1,000). Must be a Magic Money Players Club Member. Membership is free at the Magic Money Players Club.

African American research: Slaves and Free People of Color in the Deep South

Beauvoir is sponsoring a genealogical workshop on "African American Research: Slaves and Free People of Color in the Deep South."

The workshop will be conducted Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. in the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library.

The instructor is Anne Anderson, a well-known local genealogist and former owner/director of the L.W. Anderson Genealogical Library in Gulfport.

"The workshop is free to the public, however call to reserve space since seating is limited. For reservations, call the Education Office at 228-388-9074.

Anderson has been conducting research on the three Black residents of the Jefferson Davis Soldiers Home, Nathan Best (Harrison County), Frank Childless (Coahoma), and James Burney (Harrison), who, per the Soldiers Home records, all entered the Confederate

army as servants.

They later came to live it Beauvoir. In order to live at Beauvoir, the residents had to be eligible for a pension from the state of Mississippi for service in the Confederate military.

Beauvoir wants to recognize those Blacks who served in the Confederate military, especially the three who were part of the history of the Jefferson Davis Soldiers Home.

Researching African American genealogy prior to the 1870's is very different from other ethnic groups. Much of what is considered as standard records, such as census reports, birth, marriage and death records, do not exist for the African American prior to that period.

This workshop will offer alternative sources and suggestions for researching elusive ancestors.

Those presently researching family history and have reached "a brick wall" may bring their research with them. There will be a question-and-answer period after the presentation.

Beauvoir, the Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library is a national landmark property of the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. It is located on Hwy. 90 in Biloxi.

For information, contact the Tours and programs office at 228-388-9074.

Antique rose pruning workshop

On Saturday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Rosemary Sims, expert on the subject of growing antique and old-fashioned roses, will give an all-day pruning and care workshop at Cottage Garden in Carriere.

She will demonstrate proper rose pruning techniques, show slides of properly pruned roses, discuss the correct tools to use and how to care for tools. Sims has written numerous articles and has given lectures all over the Southeast. Dress for the weather, as much of the day will be spent in the garden, and the program will be held rain or shine.

Lunch is included. Roses and many other unique plants will be for sale from Cottage Garden nursery. For a reservation, call (601) 798-0753 for \$25 or \$40 for a couple, including lunch. The Cottage Garden is located north of Picayune. It is exactly 10 miles west of Exit 15 off I-59. The display gardens feature old-fashioned roses.

Over 75 varieties of roses are for sale in containers. A number of other plants are also for sale, including Louisiana irises.

The Cottage Garden is open Wednesday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., except August, Christmas through January, and major holidays. Lunch is served in the cafe from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday and on Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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Magic offers new slots

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis is the Beta test and launch site for the new Casino Data Systems (CDS) nickels game "Easy Street," and you can't play it anywhere else.

Easy Street combines video slot action with an exciting board game reminiscent of the child's game Candyland. Three spin symbols anywhere on the reels gets the player to the bonus board game.

Spin the color wheel to advance "Chance," the playful puppy, along the path to the finish, accumulating bonus credits, along the way.

If Chance makes it all the way to "Easy Street," the player chooses his or her favorite destination to reveal a bonus payout. Play it first at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Exclusively at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for 90 days. Easy Street debuts on the second level of the casino Friday, Feb. 23.

A CDS representative will be on site Friday and Saturday evenings with an oversized "Chance" giving instructions on how to play and giving away various "Easy Street" prizes.

Just recently Casino Magic unveiled "Hot Reels," another exclusive at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. "Hot Reels" is a new mystery progressive quarter slot game similar to other video reel slot games, but this is the first time that the company has offered the game as a progres-

sive or tied its jackpots to a car giveaway.

The ten new machines at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis offer a guaranteed "mystery" car jackpot.

The reason it is called a mystery jackpot is because a winning combination is not needed to win; you just need to put in the lucky winning coin at the right time.

Earn 20 points or more while playing the new Hot Reels slots today and Feb. 23 and earn a free ride in a NASCAR simulator or pay \$5 for a three-minute ride.

Twenty points also earns you entry into a drawing for an official NASCAR jacket.

The official NASCAR Racing Tour Simulator will be in the main lobby of the casino now through February 23, 2-10 p.m., daily.

Must be 21 to game or participate in simulator ride. Jacket drawing is Friday, Feb. 23 at 10 p.m. Need not be present to win jacket. One earned simulator ride per account per day.

Writer's Digest editor teaches how to write novels, short stories

Non-credit workshops for fiction writers are offered by the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 through Sunday, Feb. 25.

All sessions are open to both beginning and intermediate writers with no prerequisites required.

For information, call USM at (228) 867-8777. Cost is \$79 per day workshop; \$49 for an evening manuscript critique session.

A 10% discount is available

for enrollment in all four. Taught by Michael Garrett, associate editor of the Writer's Digest School and former Pocket Books editor, all workshops address how to become a published author.

Garrett has edited the works of Stephen King, Joyce Carol Oates, Lawrence Sanders and others and has written several screenplays.

He maintains a free web site of advice for writers at <http://www.manuscriptcritique.com>.

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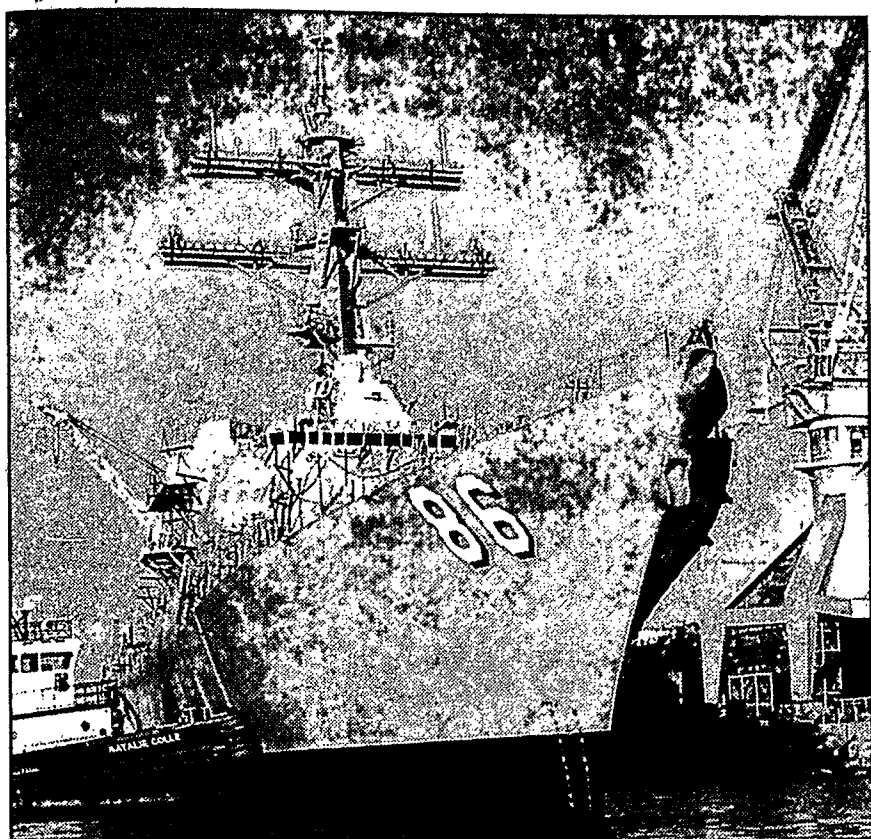
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DDG 86, the 16th DDG 51 Class Aegis guided missile destroyer to be built by Litton Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula will be christened "SHOUP" on Saturday, Feb. 24. The ship is named for General David M. Shoup (1904-1983), a Medal of Honor recipient at Tarawa who also became Commandant of the Marine Corps under Presidents Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson. (Litton Ingalls Shipbuilding photo)

Fontenot, Stieffel named casino's top team members

Becky Fontenot of Diamondhead and Michelle Stieffel of Bay St. Louis won the honors of "2000 Team Member of the Year" and "2000 Supervisor of the Year," respectively.

Each receives an all-expense paid vacation for two from Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for a seven-day Caribbean cruise or an all-inclusive trip to Cancun, Mexico.

"All of our team members who were in the running were certainly worthy of winning the prestigious title of Team Member of the Year and Supervisor of the Year. Unfortunately, we could only choose one from each category," said General Manager Todd Raziano. "We feel it is very important to have programs in place that reward and recognize team members."

Fontenot, along with 34 other team members who were Team Members of the Quarter winners, attended a special banquet for the surprise presentation at The Bridges Clubhouse.

All guests were served their choice of steak or seafood dinners. Penn National Gaming's VP of Human Resources George Connolly was a special guest and presenter for the evening.

"I've never won anything like this. It's an honor and it's greatly appreciated, because there were so many other good people up for the award as well. I just couldn't believe it," Fontenot said.

Fontenot, who is a security officer, noted that co-workers in her department have been very supportive since she won the honor.

"I came to work today, and they all had on buttons with 'number 1' on them," she said.

Co-worker Craig Ladner said that of all people she really deserved the award, and everyone in Security was extremely proud.

"I didn't think I had a chance, because there were so many other employees from other departments. I just thought that it was sort of like the lottery, and my department's chance was slim," Fontenot said.

Business workshop

The USM Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "Thinking About Going Into Business?" on Tuesday, March 6, 5:30-8 p.m. at the Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, 1636 Poppas Ferry Road, Biloxi.

For information, call 228-865-4578.

'Executive All-Stars' reach out to youth for National Engineers Week

Local executives at NASA's John C. Stennis Space Center joined forces with National Engineers Week ("E-Week") by becoming "Executive All-Stars."

The goal of the Executive All-Star program is to help resolve one of our nation's most pressing issues - the shortage of workers skilled in the engineering disciplines.

As an Executive All-Star, Roy Estess, director of the Stennis Space Center, is reaching out across the state to promote awareness of the engineering profession, encourage young people to consider a career in engineering, and inspire other executives to join.

Celebrated this year from February 18-24, E-Week is placing a special emphasis on recruiting women into the engineering field with "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day."

"The John C. Stennis Space Center is excited to participate in National Engineers Week's nationwide campaign. We are making this commitment because it's important for U.S. technological success as well as our ability to stay competitive in the global marketplace," said

Estess. Mississippi is only one of many states participating in the Executive All-Star program, which gives executives from government agencies, universities and corporations the opportunity to become both personally and professionally involved in E-Week.

Participating executives and companies are given the opportunity to get involved in a number of different ways - from visiting local classrooms to educating students about the value of engineering, to participating in media interviews to promote E-Week, to inviting local students to tour and explore their company.

National Engineers Week, co-chaired by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) and IBM, is the only nationwide campaign that showcases the contributions engineers make to our quality of life and encourages school children to consider engineering as a career.

"Stennis Space Center is urging executives at more organizations to participate in the Executive All-Star program. We

hope others will take advantage of this important opportunity to reach out and cultivate the interest of the next generation of engineering talent," Estess said.

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2001, National Engineers Week (February 18-24) recognizes and gives thanks for the contributions America's engineers have made to our nation.

Louis V. Gerstner, Jr., IBM's chairman and CEO, is serving as this year's honorary chairman.

Founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers, National Engineers Week is celebrated annually by thousands of engineers, engineering students, teachers, and leaders in government and business.

National Engineers Week mission is to unify the profession's message about its contributions to society.

For more information about National Engineers Week, visit the Web site at: <http://www.eweek.org>.

Godwin Guice Advertising takes Best of Show Award

The 2000-01 American Advertising Awards Banquet was held Feb. 10 at the New Palace Casino Resort in Biloxi.

Addy Awards were presented for creative excellence in print, radio, television, and new media. The evening culminated with the recognition of "Best of the Best."

The Best of Show Award went to Godwin Guice Advertising for the "We're Here for You Campaign" produced for Hancock Bank. Creative Director - Jim Bass; Director - Jim Smith; Producer - Peter Petro; Production Company - CAVU; Copywriter - Sid Scott; Music - AdSound.

Best of Class (Print) went to PowerLines Advertising and Design for its work promoting Ridan Investments. The entry: Slippery Nick's Stationery. Creative Director/Copywriter - Allen Jenkins; Art Director - Cecelia Shabazz; Media Director - Shannon Lavinghouse; Account Services - Stacia Robinson.

Best of Class (Television) went to Godwin Guice for the "Covering the Coast III Campaign" produced for the Sun Herald. Creative Director - Jim Bass; Director - Jim Smith; Producer - Peter Petro; Production Company - CAVU; Copywriter - Sid Scott.

The Creative Director of the Year Award went to Jim Bass with Godwin Guice Advertising.

Copywriter of the Year recognition went to Christie

Fountain of Godwin Guice Advertising.

Volunteer of the Year recognition goes to an individual who has dedicated his/her time, energy, and hard work to the betterment of the club throughout the year. The award went to Mollie Hillburn, Project Management Ink, LLC.

The highest recognition given by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Advertising Federation, the Shirley Guice Silver Medal Award, is presented to an individual who has shown outstanding contributions to advertising and to furthering the industry's standards, creative excellence, and responsibility in areas of social concern.

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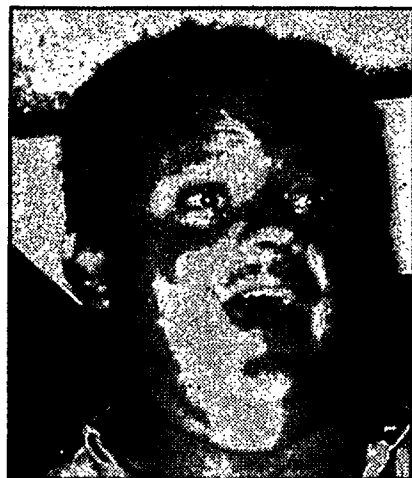
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KEVIN BOSCH SR.



Kevin G. Bosch Sr., 39, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, Feb. 19, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

MARGUERITE BRELAND
 Marguerite Ruhr Breland, 86, of Waveland, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2001, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Breland was a native and lifelong resident of Waveland. She was a member of Waveland Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Edwin G. and Hettie Edwards Ruhr Sr.; two brothers, James Ruhr and Edwin G. Ruhr Jr.; and a sister, Helen Ruhr.

Survivors include a sister, Laura Green of Waveland.

Graveside services were conducted Tuesday in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

JOHN CHRISTENSEN
 John Gregory Christensen, 64, of Waveland, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Christensen was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Waveland. He was a graduate of St. Stanislaus in Bay St. Louis and Loyola University in New Orleans. He was retired from Dixie Machine as a foreman and was a member of the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, George J. Christensen.

Survivors include a son, John Christensen Jr. of Waveland; two daughters, Terry Christensen of Bay St. Louis and Susie Christensen of Newport Beach, Calif.; his mother, Marie Preis Christensen of New Orleans; three sisters, Camille M. Fraering of New Iberia, La.,

Mrs. Robert Muzik of New Orleans and Mrs. Elton A. Glaser of Akron, Ohio; and two brothers, Robert G. Christensen of Fort Washington, Md., and Richard P. Christensen of New Orleans.

Services were conducted Monday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home Chapel in Bay St. Louis, followed by burial in Waveland Cemetery.

TALBERT LANCASTER
 Talbert Luther Lancaster, 84, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Feb. 15, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Lancaster was born in Summit, Ga., and had lived on the Gulf Coast for 36 years. He was a retired carpenter and a Protestant.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marian Lancaster; his parents, Talbert and Mary Lancaster; and a sister, Edna Kelly.

Survivors include a daughter, Ann Lancaster; and a son, Wayne Lancaster, both of Gulfport.

Services are pending at Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport.

JEREMIE LULEI
 Jeremie L. "Jerry" Lulei, 62, of Waveland, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Lulei was preceded in death by his father, Phillip Lulei; his mother, Thelma Lee Lulei Pate; and eight brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lulei of Waveland; a son, Charles Lulei of Boutte, La.; four daughters, Patty Henley of Bay St. Louis, Frances Hiltabid and Jerrie Gates, both of Waveland, and Deborah Lulei of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Betty Medina of Kenner; nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Visitation was Wednesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by services in the funeral home chapel and burial in Waveland Cemetery.

'LANA' LUMETTA
 "Lana" Madeline Lumetta, 80, of Waveland, died Monday, Feb. 19, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Lumetta was a native of Patterson, La. and a resident of Waveland. She was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Anthony Lumetta; her parents, Cataldo and Margaret Armato Giorlando; two brothers, Angelo and Joseph Giorlando; and two sisters, Margaret Ferrero and Lena Giorlando.

Survivors include a son, Carlo Joseph Giorlando of Chalmette; two daughters, Jean Menard and Carol Karl, both of Waveland; a stepson, Nicholas Lumetta of Kenner; two stepdaughters, Jackie Nunez and Suzette Encalade, both of Kenner; a sister, Mary George of Chalmette; three brothers, Phil and Frank Giorlando, both of Chalmette, and C. J. Giorlando of Metairie; seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service was conducted Wednesday in the funeral home chapel followed by interment in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

FLORINE MCCLELAND
 Florine McClelland, 78, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, Feb. 15, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

HERBERT OURSO, JR.
 Herbert Joseph Ourso, Jr., 77, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Ourso was a railroad engineer.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Norma Boudreaux Ourso; his second wife, Rita Willis Clavijo Ourso; and his parents, Herbert Joseph Ourso, Sr. and Edna Keller Ourso.

Survivors include sons Herbert Joseph Ourso, III, of Mereaux, La. and Robert Joseph Ourso of New Orleans; a sister, Helen Ourso Morrison of Pass Christian; seven grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and a devoted friend, Hazel J. Willis of Pass Christian.

A private service was conducted Wednesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Burial took place at Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery & Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers memorials to one's favorite charity.

VENNIE PIZZOLATO
 Vennie Pizzolato, 23, of Diamondhead, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2001, in Diamondhead.

Services are pending at Wilbert Funeral Home in Plaquemine, La. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis handled local arrangements.

LEWIS RUTHERFORD
 Lewis Beaford Rutherford, 68, of Picayune, died Monday, Feb. 19, 2001, in Biloxi.

Mr. Rutherford was a native of McCoy, Ark. and a resident of Picayune. He was a Baptist and was a member and past commander of VFW 6285, Kiln. He was a veteran serving in the Korean War.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Theodore Miller and Clara Bankster Rutherford; three brothers, Theodore, Walter and Bobby Rutherford; and a sister, Myrtle Marie Rutherford.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Evelyn Rutherford of Picayune; a son, Lewis Earl DeWayne Rutherford of Searcy, Ark.; two daughters, Trudy Marie Hill of Waveland and Linda Joyce Ladner of Gulfport; three stepsons, Ronald Edwin Eller of Kiln and James Eugene Seal and Phillip Donald Seal, both of Picayune; a stepdaughter, Ronda Elaine Favre of Kiln; two sisters, Annie Elizabeth Rogers of Scotland, Ark. and Amy Louise Bynum of Golden, La.; three brothers, Millard Junior Rutherford of Golden, Leroy Rutherford of Scotland, Ark. and Freddy Paul Rutherford of Wyne, Ark.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday at Catahoula Baptist Church in Picayune followed by services and interment in Catahoula Baptist Church Cemetery in Picayune.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

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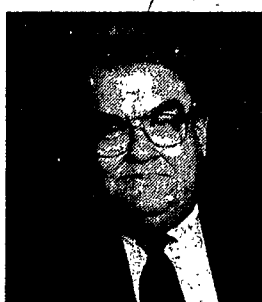
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Baseball registration at Necaise Crossing

The Necaise Crossing community will be holding its boys and girls baseball registration Sunday, Feb. 25, 2-5; Monday, Feb. 26, 5-7; Sunday, March 4, 2-5; and Sunday, March 11, 2-5. Last registration is Sunday, March 18, 2-5.

Registration will be at the

Community Center at the baseball field. The fee is \$45. Children who are playing for the first time need to bring a copy of their birth certificate.

For information, call Darrin Peterson 255-7310; Joe Ladner, 255-4985; of Laura Heitzmann, 586-0264.

Baseball registration for Waveland Little League

Waveland Little League Baseball has registration every Saturday until the end of February for T Ball 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16 and 17-19 at the Elwood Bourgeois Park Waveland Field, 9 a.m.-5

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- warranty deed
- cost of property
- down payment amount
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136 Automobiles

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KATHLEEN D. RENSHAW
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
KATHLEEN D. RENSHAW
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of February, 2001, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Kathleen D. Renshaw, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of the said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 1st day of February, 2001.
ALICE WULFHEISEN POISSONOT
Executrix of the Estate of Kathleen D. Renshaw
2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2001

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF DARIUS WENDELL PEARSON
CAUSE NO. 2000-854
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 9th day of Feb., 2001, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Darius Wendell Pearson, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred. This 12th day of Feb., A.D. 2001.
DOROTHY EVELYN PEARSON
EXECUTRIX

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROSALIE SAGONA CARPENTER
CAUSE NO. 2001-077
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ROSALIE SAGONA CARPENTER
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of February, 2001, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Rosalie Sagona Carpenter, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of the said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This the 1st day of February, 2001.
FRANCES N. FALGOUT
Executrix of the Estate of Rosalie Sagona Carpenter
2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2001

90 Pets

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143 Real Estate Services

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158 Commercial Property

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JULIE ELLIOTT (CAYLOR) PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
PAUL MICHAEL ELLIOTT DEFENDANT
SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 2000-854
TO, PAUL MICHAEL ELLIOTT, WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS FARMINGDALE, NEW YORK, BUT WHOSE PRESENT RESIDENCE AND ADDRESS IS UNKNOWN, YOU HAVE BEEN MADE A DEFENDANT IN THE LAWSUIT FILED IN THIS COURT BY JULIE ELLIOTT (CAYLOR), PLAINTIFF, WHOSE ADDRESS IS 11133 MANHATTAN STREET, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39502. THE COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST YOU HAS INITIATED A CIVIL ACTION ALLEGING WILLFUL OBSTRUCTION AND CONTINUOUS DEREGISTRATION OF THE SPACE OF ONE YEAR AND IS SEEKING A DIVORCE ON THE GROUNDS AFOREMENTIONED AS SET FORTH IN MISSISSIPPI CODE AS ANNOTATED. RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE ALTERNATIVE, IRRECONCILABLE DIFFERENCES, AS SET FORTH IN MISSISSIPPI CODE AS ANNOTATED, SECTION 93-5-2. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO MAIL OR HAND DELIVER A COPY OF A WRITTEN ANSWER EITHER ADMITTING OR DENYING EACH ALLEGATION IN THE COMPLAINT ATTACHED HERETO, TO DAVID P. OLIVER, THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF(S), RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT, 1921 22ND AVENUE, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, 39502. YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 8TH DAY OF FEB. 2001, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. YOU MUST ALSO FILE THE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THIS COURT WITHIN REASONABLE TIME AFTERWARD. (SEAL)
Timothy Kellar
Larriell Scarborough
Court Clerk
Dated: 2/1/01
2/8/01, 2/15/01, 2/22/2001

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JESSE HERBERT GARNER, DECEASED
SCOTT GARNER
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CAUSE NO. 2001-072
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jesse Herbert Garner, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 9th day of February, 2001, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar this claim.
THIS the 16th day of February, 2001.
SCOTT GARNER
BY: TIMOTHY L. MURR
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P.O. Box 369
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MSB 6582
2/22, 3/1, 3/8/2001

93 Yard Sale

MOVING SALE: DR, BR, REF, W/D, Saturday 10-12 only, 205 Ullman Ave.

145 Roommates Wanted

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH HOUSE in Diamondhead, \$330/month includes utilities. Bob, 255-4187.

150 Unfurn. Houses For Rent

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159 Houses For Sale

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Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAZEL PINO BANISTER
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
HAZEL PINO BANISTER
CAUSE NO. 2001-085
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This the 14th day of February, 2001.
CHARLES MALLORY BANISTER, JR.
Executrix of the Estate of Hazel Pino Banister
2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2001

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RUTH HARRIS, CLAUDE LOGAN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2001-001-001
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 8th day of February, 2001, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, the Estate of Ruth Harris, CLAUDE LOGAN, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and recording according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
Witness my signature this, 8th day of February, 2001.
RUTH HARRIS, CLAUDE LOGAN, DECEASED
FAVRE, GENIN & SCARFIDE
P.O. Box 70
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5481
2/15, 2/22, 3/1/01

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CLAUDIA DUPUIS MUNSCH, DECEASED
NO. 2001-111
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 13th day of February, 2001, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, the Estate of Claudia Dupuis Munsch, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and recording according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
Witness my signature this, 13th day of February, 2001.
LOUIS C. MUNSCH, JR.
ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATE OF
CLAUDIA DUPUIS MUNSCH, DECEASED
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Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 70
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RULE 81 SUMMONS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF SAMUEL H. BALLARD, DECEASED
SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 2001-115
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HARRY A. BALLARD, Defendant.
You have been named as a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Suzanne Jones Ballard, Samuel H. Ballard, Jr., and Bruce Ballard, Plaintiffs, seeking Adjudication of the heirs-at-law of Samuel H. Ballard, deceased, and other relief. The Plaintiffs allege that you are the sole surviving descendant of Defendant other than you in this action are. None.
You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 9th day of April, 2001, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse Annex Building, 306 Highway 90 at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 20th day of February, 2001.
(Seal)
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CLERK OF THE CHANCERY COURT
P.O. Box 550
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
(228) 467-5400
By: Larnell Scarborough, D.C.
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IN RE: ESTATE OF EDITH LOEBER BALLARD WATTS, DECEASED
SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 2001-116
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HARRY A. BALLARD, Defendant.
You have been named as a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by William Langley, Plaintiff, seeking Adjudication of the heirs-at-law of Edith Loeb Ballard Watts, deceased, and other relief. The Plaintiffs allege that you are the sole surviving descendant of Defendant other than you in this action are. None.
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Public Notices

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District (SRWMD), 401 Gulf Street, Waveland, Mississippi, until 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 16, and thereafter publicly opened for the:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion 2001 Phase

The work consists of all materials, labor, tools, equipment, apparatus, facilities, transportation, and incidentals necessary for the construction of the following facilities:

- 1) Site work, including clearing and shipping demolition of old structure and grading and paving
- 2) One (1) headworks structure with six (6) flow measuring flumes, grid removal system, screw conveyor, and color control
- 3) Rehabilitation to two (2) intra-channel clarifiers, one in each of two (2) existing oxidation ditches
- 4) Installation of two (2) submersible propeller mixers and diffused aeration system in each of two (2) existing oxidation ditches
- 5) One (1) 3.0 million gallon storage pond
- 6) One (1) sludge handling building with one (1) centrifuge dewatering system, conveyor system, chemical storage and feeding system, and maintenance shop
- 7) One (1) pond pumping station with two (2) submersible discharge pumps
- 8) One (1) plant pumping station with duplex submersible pumps
- 9) One (1) progressive cavity digester feed pump
- 10) One (1) progressive cavity centrifuge feed pump
- 11) Replacement of five (5) submersible pumps at existing old Waveland influent pump station
- 12) Replacement of five (5) above-ground pumps at existing old Waveland influent pump station
- 13) Replacement of four (4) horizontal self-priming return sludge pumps
- 14) One (1) 200 HP booster pump on effluent line
- 15) One (1) yard piping, fittings, valves, and all related work
- 16) Electrical service entrance switchgear, motor control centers, and all electrical work
- 17) On-site piping, fittings, valves and all related work, including off-site pump station rehab
- 18) Provide and install miscellaneous equipment and materials
- 19) Off site piping including approximately 15,000 feet of 12 inch and 24 inch diameter pipe plus associated pump stations

The site of the WWTP work is located at the west end of Gulf Street in Waveland, Mississippi.

Drawings and technical specifications are on file for review at the office of the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District and may be secured at the office of Duke Levy & Associates, P.A., 111 Waveland Avenue, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, upon payment of \$300.00 (non-refundable) per set.

Also, drawings and technical specifications are on file for review at the following agencies:

- MS Contract Procurement Center
- 1636 Poppa Ferry Road, Suite 229
- Bilal, MS 39520
- MS Rural Ministry Business Development Center
- 1636 Poppa Ferry Road, Suite 221
- Bilal, MS 39520

All bids must be plainly marked on the lower left hand corner of the envelope "BIDS ON WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PROJECT NO. 2001-001-001-001".

Certified check or bid bond for five percent (5%) of total bid payable to the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District must accompany each proposal.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Certified check or bid bond will be returned immediately to unsuccessful bidders. Bidders are hereby notified that any proposal submitted in making the award is in any manner the condition under which the proposal is awarded will be considered an irregular bid and will be subject to withdrawal by the bidder within sixty (60) days after the actual date of opening thereof.

A performance bond in the full amount of the bid, in cash or equivalent, conditioned for the prompt, proper, and efficient completion of the project, shall be required of the successful bidder. In lieu of a performance bond, the successful bidder may post with the District the full amount of the bid, in cash or equivalent, conditioned for the prompt, proper, and efficient completion of the project.

Attention is called to the fact that contracts exceeding \$50,000.00 require a certified check or bid bond and a certificate of responsibility.

Any and all business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supplies needed.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in whole or in part by anticipated funds from the State Revolving Fund loan program from the State of Mississippi. Neither the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, the Department of all of their employees and officers is or will be a party to this invitation for

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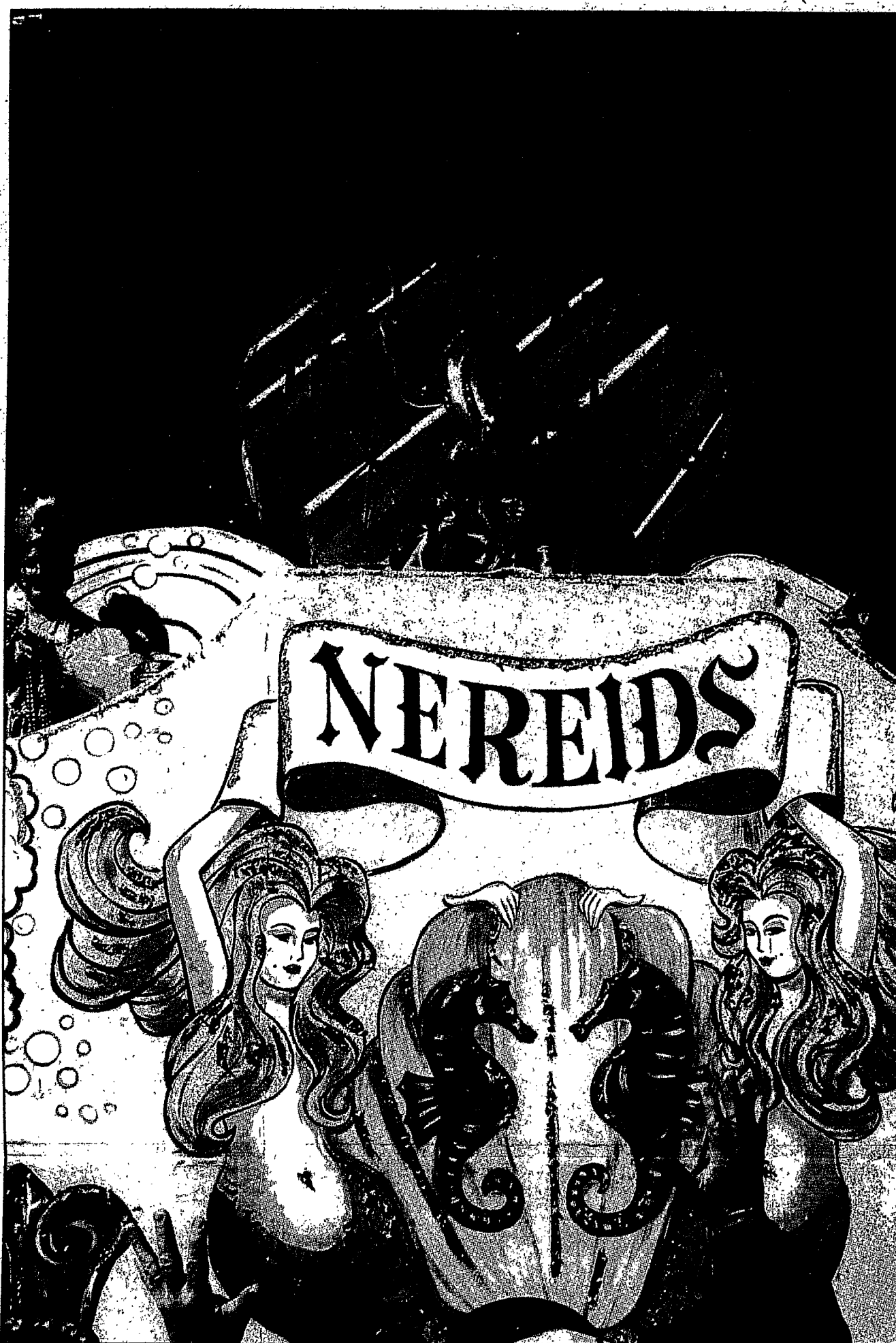
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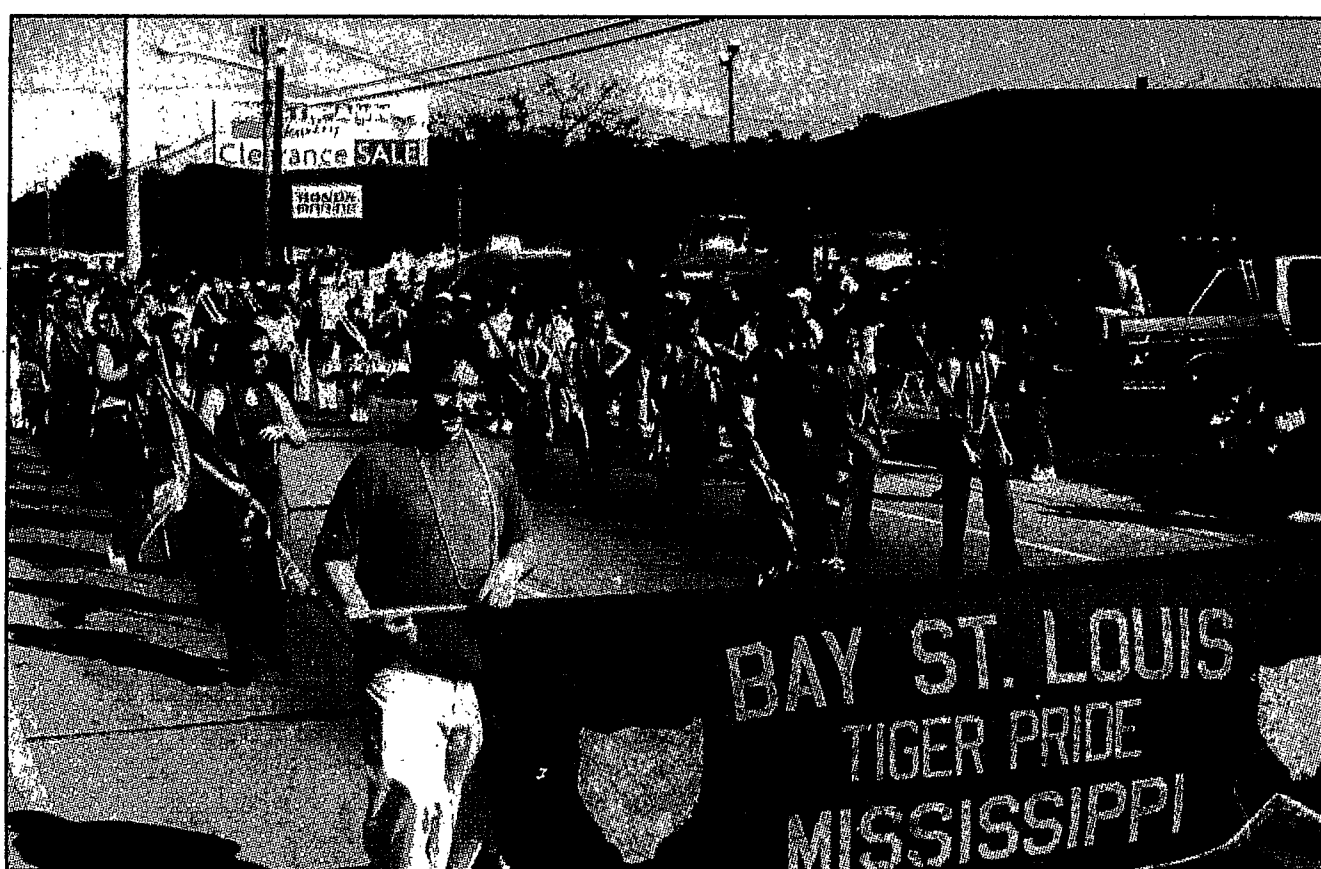
You didn't have to be a Krewe-member to get to play dress-up for the Nereids' parade Sunday.



Nereids maids held their heads up high during the parade, despite having them weighed down with heavy traditional Mardi Gras headdresses.



The theme for this year's Krewe of Nereids Parade was "All Aboard the Orient Express."



Bay High School was well represented at Sunday's parade, showing "Tiger Pride" on Hwy. 90.



Nereids Duke Ronnie Artigues throws a mean set of beads.

And the winners are ...

Actually, the winners Sunday were the spectators who got to see one of the best parades ever on the coast, but the official "Winners in the Krewe of Nereids parade" include:

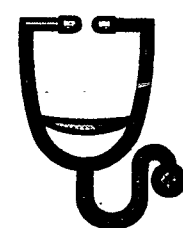
- Best float overall, LaFontaine's Follies.
- Neighborhood floats: first, Krewe of Kommotion; second, Riverview Boiling Krewe; and third, Heaven Bound Krewe.
- Business-sponsored floats: first, Casino Magic; second, Krewe of Fantasy; and third, Krewe of Lagniappe.
- Mardi Gras krewe: first, Krewe of Southern Pride; second, Krewe of Fire Balls; and third, Krewe of Vishna.
- Walking group winner was Ole Biloxi Marching Club.



The band Deville rocked the floats and spectators with some down & dirty r&b, soul and blues.



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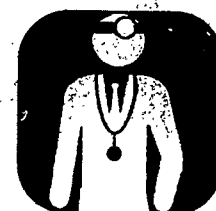
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